DODGE COUNTY LAND INFORMATION COUNCIL MEETING May 21, 2015

Members Present: Dave Addison, Marc Bethke, Larry Bischoff, Ted Dumke, Patti Hilker, Chris

Planasch, Joyce Fiacco

Excused: Dianne Bell, Brian Field, Harold Johnson, Dale Schmidt

Also Present: Peter Herreid, Steven Noe

The Dodge County Land Information Council meeting was called to order by Chair Patti Hilker at 9:03 A.M., Room 1F, Dodge County Administration Building, 127 E. Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin. Roll call was taken and it was confirmed that requirements of Wisconsin's Open Meetings law had been met.

Planasch motioned, second by Bischoff to approve minutes from the August 08, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

Hilker reported that on September 16, 2014, the County Board had approved the resolution to expand membership of the Council as recommended by the Council and Land Information Committee (LIC). Membership was expanded to include the Senior Land Information Specialist, Highway Commissioner, and County Conservationist. Hilker and the Council welcomed David Addison, Brian Field, and Marc Bethke, respectively. She also announced that Sheriff Dale Schmidt had been appointed by County Board Chairman, Russell Kottke, to represent the public safety sector.

Fiacco introduced Peter Herreid, Wisconsin Land Information Program (WLIP) Grant Administrator, who had requested the meeting as part of his intent to visit every county land information council in the state to learn how their land information programs were functioning; 50 counties visited so far since last year. Fiacco presented an oral report on the status of the Dodge County Land Information Modernization Program beginning with the distribution of a summary sheet indicating all funding received by Dodge County since the Program's inception in 1989. She reviewed the total amount of funds, number of documents recorded, amount of funds deposited by business unit and grant category, brief description of how grant funds had been used, fund balance totals, funds committed to 2015 budget and total of uncommitted funds available. Land Information Office budget requests for the past four years were distributed and reviewed to highlight how this funding was being used to help multiple land records offices.

Fiacco presented an oral report on status of current and future land information projects requesting input from several members of the Council and Land Information Office staff. Using the 2010 Dodge County Land Information Plan, she reported on progress of on-going activities. Steven Noe, Senior Cartographer (Tax Parcel Mapping), reported on status of a major project to improve the accuracy of parcel maps; he distributed a countywide status map indicating level of accuracy based on technology available for that mapping and a spreadsheet outlining the mapping history for each municipality. Ted Dumke, Senior Land Surveyor, reported that Public Land Survey System (PLSS) remonumentation had been completed with the only exceptions being section corners in the marsh or several other having no real need to be reset; all PLSS monuments had GPS coordinates and Dodge County was in full maintenance mode. He reported on availability of the County's survey records on the State Cartographer's Office (SCO) website and upcoming on-line access through the new Land Information Management System (LIMS) tool and GIS Web Mapping tool.

Fiacco summarized details of several critical projects: GIS data management/mapping support for the Communication Center; acquisition and current implementation of an integrated Land Information Management System (assessment, tax collection, permitting, public access); improvement of the accuracy

and management of countywide addresses; proposed acquisition of high-resolution orthophotography (2017); and proposed acquisition of high-resolution LiDAR to develop 1-foot contours (2017).

Peter Herreid provided an oral report on the current status of the Wisconsin Land Information Program (WLIP) and outlined three major changes in 2013 resulting from Act 20 including: Department of Administration (DOA) being charged with development of a plan for, local data aggregation and production of a value added statewide parcel map, coordination of the effort between counties supplying their parcel data and the state, and provision of additional funding to support the development and maintenance of a statewide parcel map. He gave several examples of the benefits of this map including support of regional and statewide projects, state agency work such as DNR-Managed Forest Lands, DATCP- animal disease response planning and tracking (e.g., recent outbreak of bird flu), DOR, Farmland Preservation Program, economic development and business location. Herreid spoke of recent efforts to locate gaps and inaccuracies between county boundaries (PLSS) to help prioritize grant funding. He also reported on the status of other statewide initiatives such as PSC broadband map (address point mapping project called LinkWISCONSIN) and orthophotography acquisition. He passed around a report with results of the PSC project.

The projected timeline for the statewide parcel map project was distributed which included probable release dates of annual strategic initiative grants (SIG) to help fund county efforts for the purpose of meeting statewide objectives up to \$50,000. Through Act 20, an additional \$5 per recorded real estate document is being returned to the state to fund the grant programs of the WLIP. Establishment of a state level Land Information Council is also being proposed to represent stakeholders (real property listers, county treasurers, register of deeds, LIOs, surveyors, assessors) and to reflect the structure of county Land Information Councils. Hilker suggested several other key users of a statewide parcel map would be realtors, utilities, and pipeline and transmission companies. Herreid noted that a statewide parcel map would provide realtors a one-stop-shop for this kind of data to avoid their complaints that each county site looks and operates differently. Addison noted that the data would probably not be as current as would be needed by realtors.

Following his presentation, Herreid answered questions and took comments from the Council. Fiacco asked about use of WLIP funds for support of DOA employees, Herreid stated that three and one third positions are funded: Grant Administrator, WLIP Assistant, Geographic Information Officer (GIO) and one third of the WLIP and Comp Planning Manager. Addison asked if data flow would be a two-way flow between state and county- Herreid thought it should be. Fiacco said that the mandate to include zoning as one of the parcel attributes would prove difficult as zoning doesn't follow parcel lines and is often delivered as an overlay. Herreid said that zoning was one of the mandated attributes and as such, a way to integrate that information even as overlay data would be completed. Herreid thanked the Council for meeting with him.

Bischoff motioned, second by Planasch to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 A.M. Due to the conflicting schedules of several members, the date of the next regular meeting was scheduled for Friday, August 14, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce A. Fiacco

Land Information Council, Secretary

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